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**CITY/COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ CELEBRATES FINANCE PROFESSIONALS WEEK**

An official proclamation, from the City/County of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, designates March 16-20 as “Government Finance Professionals Week.”

The proclamation issued Date XX, 2020, extends appreciation to all government finance professionals in the state of Florida and in the City/County of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and acknowledges their hard work, dedication and leadership.

This inaugural Government Finance Professionals Week is sponsored by the Florida Government Finance Officers Association (FGFOA), a professional association founded in 1937 and serving more than 3,300 professionals from state, county and city governments, school districts, colleges and universities, special districts, and private firms.

“This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase the talents of many professionals who are generally not in the public eye,” said FGFOA President Ken Burke. “We offer congratulations to all of the government finance professionals throughout the state of Florida as we celebrate their accomplishments.”

The FGFOA is dedicated to being a professional resource by providing opportunities through education, networking, leadership and information. The week sponsored by the FGFOA and all of its member governmental organizations, is a weeklong series of activities aimed at recognizing government finance professionals and the vital services that they provide to our state and to our communities.

“The professional finance officer’s knowledge, integrity and dedication make certain that funds entrusted to government are properly budgeted, disbursed and accounted for,” Burke said. “This accountability is a key ingredient to ensure people’s faith in government.”